

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY **LANSING**

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Judge Michelle Appel Michael Bosanac Eric R. DeLong Todd A. Drysdale Judge Shauna Dunnings

TRIAL COURT FUNDING COMMISSION

MINUTES

March 28, 2019, 9:30 AM

COMMISSIONERS Judge Beth Ann Gibson Milton L. Mack Richard B. Poling Thomas C. Rombach Shannon Schlegel Valerie Ann Thornburg Patrick J. Williams

Vault Conference Room 1st Floor, Richard H. Austin Building 430 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48922

Commission Members Present:

Judge Michelle Appel, Judge Thomas Boyd, Michael Bosanac, Eric R. DeLong, Todd A. Drysdale, Judge Beth Ann Gibson, Milton L. Mack, Richard Poling, Thomas C. Rombach, Valerie Ann Thornburg, and Patrick Williams. Judge James M. Alexander participated via teleconferencing.

Commission Members Absent:

The absences of Judge Shauna Dunnings and Shannon Schlegel were previously excused by the Chair.

I. Call to Order

Chair Tom Boyd called the meeting to order at 9:43 A.M.

II. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was presented, and a motion was made by Richard Poling to approve the Agenda. The motion was supported by Milt Mack. The Agenda was unanimously approved.

III. **Public Comment**

Members of the public were invited to address the Commission at this meeting. Jeff Getting was in attendance. He said that he read the Commissioners' Draft Interim Report and found it awesome and interesting. He added that it was well-written and has good balance and a good tone.

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mike Bosanac to approve the Minutes from the meeting of March 15, 2019, as presented. The motion was supported by Rich Poling. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

V. Welcome and Chair's Report

Chair Boyd updated Commissioners with the current budget balance.

Chair Boyd described the schedule for the day noting that it is time to finalize the Commission's draft Interim Report – to focus on concepts – to make it clear – to review appendices, acknowledgements, and discuss the communications strategy. He thanked Mike Bosanac, Judge Michelle Appel, and PSC Jim Durian and Scott Dzurka for working with PSC editors to collaborate on content, style, and clarification. Editors will work further on design, font sizes, and graphics.

VI. Review of Draft Report

PSC Jim Durian and Scott Dzurka projected the draft report on a screen and guided Commissioners through the draft Interim Report. Commissioners read through paragraph by paragraph to clarify concepts. PSC will post the final Interim Report on its website after meeting primary reporting requirements listed in the statute. The report may be finalized at a future date if needed.

A motion was made by Mike Bosanac to approve and accept the content of the draft Interim Report with today's edits. The motion was supported by Rich Poling. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chair Boyd said that the final draft Interim Report will be emailed to all Commissioners before it is officially released. A motion was made by Judge Beth Gibson for all Commissioners to respond to the group email to express their respective disposition of the final draft Interim Report. The motion was supported by Judge Michelle Appel. The motion was unanimously approved.

VII. Old Business

None reported or discussed.

VIII. New Business

Chair Tom Boyd appreciated and thanked all Commissioners for the dedication and work they provided on this assignment. A lot of work was completed in small groups behind the scenes. He also acknowledged and thanked Scott Dzurka and Jim Durian of Public Sector Consultants for their ongoing work. Chair Boyd also thanked the Michigan Department of Treasury for support provided and Wendy Lamphier for her work as Executive Assistant to the Commission.

Commissioners Mike Bosanac and Milt Mack acknowledged and appreciated the leadership for the Commission.

IX. Commissioners Good and Welfare

None reported or discussed.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:29 PM. This is the final meeting for this Commission until further notice.

Respectively Submitted,

Wendy Lamphier

Assistant to the Commission

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Approval of Minutes:

Judge Thomas Boyd

Commission Chair

Date